DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 57-60 and 76-87 allowed.

The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Independent claims 57, 60 and 83, when considered as a whole, are allowable over the prior art of record.

Specifically, the prior art of DeStefano teaches the limitation: "the display of one or more windows such that the windows can obscure a user's view of objects currently presented on the desktop of a user interface. The system provides the user with a selection tool to select one or more windows for purpose of dragging the windows to a different position of the display screen such that once obscured content can now be visible", But the claims recite a different combination of limitation: *"moving the windows from their obscuring positions into a second view in response to a first user command, wherein the second view exposes at least a part of the desktop obscured by the one or more windows in the first view, selecting at least one of said desktop objects while the windows are moved in the second view... placing the selected object in one of said windows in the first view"(as presented by claim 57),* that is not suggested or shown by DeStefano. As for claim 60, the limitation claimed is the inverse action of claim 57 wherein content is in the first view and transferred to the second view. As for claim 83, the limitation is the method of claim 57 or claim 60.

Bronson is introduced to teach the deficiencies of DeStefano wherein Bronson teaches pushing windows off the visible area of the display screen, but the claims recite a different combination of limitation: *"selecting at least one of said desktop objects while the windows are moved in the second view; ... placing the selected object in one of said windows in the first view",* that is not suggested or shown by Bronson.

The dependent claims further add limitations to the allowable subject matter of the corresponding independent claims; thus are also allowable. Therefore the claims are allowed over the art because the claims differ in scope that is not seen or suggested by the prior art.

Inquires

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